

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
SUGAR CITY COUNCIL
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2012

Presiding: Mayor Glenn W. Dalling
Meeting Convened at 6:30 p.m.
Prayer: Burch Drake
Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Mayor Dalling; Sharon L. Bell, Clerk; Marcie A. Smith, Treasurer; Councilmembers Bruce King, Lamont Merrill, Vaun Waddell and Burch Drake; and William Forsberg, City Attorney.

The Mayor asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 9, 2012. Each councilmember had a copy of said minutes prior to the meeting. It was moved by Councilmember Waddell and seconded by Councilmember Drake to accept said minutes; motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2012-1 (Fair Housing): Councilmember Waddell read Resolution 2012-1 to proclaim April as Fair Housing Month. It was moved by Councilmember Waddell and seconded by Councilmember Merrill to approve Resolution 2012-1. Thereupon, the clerk called roll upon said motion.

Those voting aye: Councilmembers King, Merrill, Waddell and Drake

Those voting nay: None

Thereupon, the mayor declared the motion passed. A copy of said resolution is attached hereto marked "Attachment 1."

PLANNING & ZONING REPORT: Councilmember King reported that the commissioners are continuing to work on the sign ordinance.

RECOMMENDATION ON INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, 2009 EDITION:

Councilmember Merrill reported that he studied through the draft ordinance presented by Madison Fire Department Inspector Dale Pickering at the last meeting. He recommended that we pass this ordinance for uniformity with Madison County and the City of Rexburg, whose governing boards have already passed it. During discussion, questions were raised about who would administer the ordinance, what curbs would need to be painted red in the city, who is responsible for inspections, who would take care of violations of this code, fees and application forms, and problems with getting fire engines down alleys, etc. The mayor said because the council still has concerns about the ordinance, the decision will be made in the next meeting after further clarification.

WATER RIGHTS UPDATE: Councilmember Merrill reported that Randy Johnson of Forsgren Associates made application for a water right of 6.4 cfs (cubic feet per second). That amount of water would negate the need for a dual water system, which is one system for

household water and one for yard water. This request has been protested by Twin Falls surface water users. Lamont also reported attending another meeting in which participants discussed mitigation of the water in the aquifer. The mayor expressed appreciation to Lamont for attending these water meetings.

7TH EAST (DIGGER DRIVE) PROJECT: Councilmember Drake reported that he met with Sugar-Salem School District Superintendent Alan Dunn to see if the school wants to make any changes to its parking and bus route in the parking lot of the high school. Discussion was had on the East Parkway Corridor and how that would affect 7th East (Digger Drive). The mayor said the county is considering changing its plans for the parkway, and commissioners requested input from the city regarding these potential changes. Burch said the \$100,000 LHTAC grant has to be used this year. A plan for use of the grant money will be presented at the next meeting.

AUDIO/VISUAL EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION: Councilmember Waddell noted that the mayor and council traveled to the District 6 office of the Idaho Transportation Department south of Rigby for a demonstration by Councilmember King of the district's projector system.

MOTION: It was moved by Councilmember Waddell and seconded by Councilmember King to authorize expenditure of approximately \$3,000 for a projector, screen and wire for the council chambers at city hall; motion carried.

8:00 p.m. Attorney Forsberg arrived.

The mayor entertained a motion to go into executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

8:10 p.m. It was moved by Councilmember King and seconded by Councilmember Waddell pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345(1)(f) to move into executive session to discuss possible litigation. The mayor called for a roll call vote:

Those voting aye: Councilmembers King, Merrill, Waddell and Drake

Those voting nay: None

Thereupon, the mayor declared the motion passed.

9:08 p.m. The executive session ended. No decisions were made and there was no deliberation.

The mayor reported that the council wanted to visit with Attorney Forsberg. Mr. Forsberg said the arrangement we have is good for him and it would be hard for him to come to every meeting, and that he has always felt the city respected him. The mayor, each of the councilmembers and the staff expressed appreciation for Mr. Forsberg's service and his competence. Mayor Dalling said we appreciated him coming tonight.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Signed: _____
Glenn W. Dalling, Mayor

Attested: _____
Sharon L. Bell, Clerk

RESOLUTION 2012-1

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUGAR CITY, IDAHO, THAT:

WHEREAS, April 2012 marks the 44th anniversary of the passage of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, commonly known as the Federal Fair Housing Act; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho Human Rights Commission Act has prohibited discrimination in housing since 1969; and

WHEREAS, equal opportunity for all – regardless of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status or national origin – is a fundamental goal of our nation, state and city; and

WHEREAS, equal access to housing is an important component of this goal – as fundamental as the right to equal education and employment; and

WHEREAS, housing is a critical component of family and community health and stability; and

WHEREAS, housing choice impacts our children's access to education, our ability to seek and retain employment options, the cultural benefits we enjoy, the extent of our exposure to crime and drugs, and the quality of health care we receive in emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the laws of this nation and our state seek to ensure such equality of choice for all transactions involving housing; and

WHEREAS, ongoing education, outreach and monitoring are key to raising awareness of fair housing principles, practices, rights and responsibilities; and

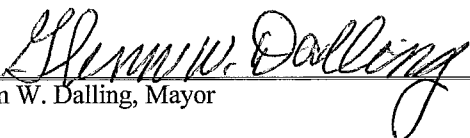
WHEREAS, only through continued cooperation, commitment and support of all Idahoans can barriers to fair housing be removed.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Glenn W. Dalling, Mayor of the City of Sugar City, do hereby proclaim April 2012 to be

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

in the City of Sugar City, Madison County, State of Idaho.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED AND PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR THIS 23rd DAY OF FEBRUARY 2012.


Glenn W. Dalling, Mayor

ATTEST:


Sharon L. Bell, City Clerk

(SEAL)